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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
MASAO KATO, ET AL.) : Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/773,328) : Group Art Unit: 2852
Filed: February 9, 2004) :
For: PRINTING SYSTEM AND ITS CONTROL) May 28, 2004
METHOD, PRINTER AND ITS :
CONTROL METHOD, AND IMAGE)
SENSING APPARATUS AND ITS :
CONTROL METHOD)

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>	<u>INVENTOR(s)</u>
10/608,023	06/30/2003	2624	Kenatro Yano et al.
10/630,794	07/31/2003	2622	Satoshi Ogiwara et al.
10/630,808	07/31/2003	2622	Takeshi Iwami et al.
10/763,620	01/28/2004	NYA	Kentaro Yano et al.

A copy of each cited U.S. Application is enclosed.

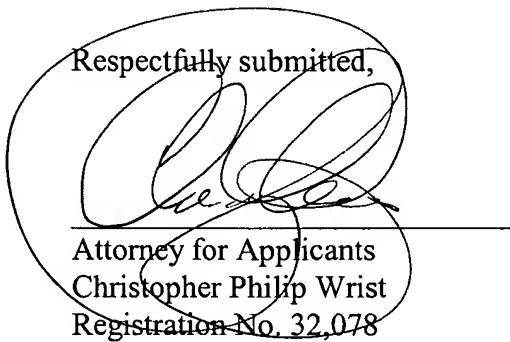
FEE STATEMENT

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the present application or prior to the mailing of a first Official Action on the merits of the application. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is necessitated by the filing of this paper. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by the filing of this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

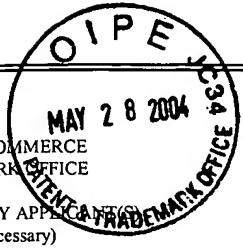
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		5,589,946	12/31/1996	Shimokoriyama et al.	386	47	
		5,682,203	10/28/1997	Kato	348	340	
		2003/0067620	04/10/2003	Matsumoto et al.	358	1.13	
		2003/0156196	08/21/2003	Kato et al.	348	207.2	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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